

# SEPTEMBER 2009 MINISTRY TEAM MINUTES

**Ministry Team: Congregational Growth**

**Meeting Date:** September 8, 2009

**Attendees:**

Lance Schmidt  
Chris Allen  
Jen Wageman  
Pastor Mike Dismer  
Shannon Howard

**Excused:**

Dan Grawe  
Rich Flamang

**Items that may require council action:** The CGMT will communicate to the council that the Connection Center will be piloted and staffed at the North Site beginning on Rally Sunday, 9/13/2009. Congregational Growth MT will staff the position at the North Site through the month of October with the intent to invite additional volunteers to become involved and further trained. Training for the volunteer staff of the NS Connection Center will be developed by the CGMT and implemented in the month of November.

**Items that require budget/finance coordination:** Verify material & construction costs with the builder of the Connection Center. Coordinate the donation for funding or the reimbursement of material costs to builder. Rich to proceed on follow up.

**Finance/Budget Review:** The CGMT will further review the 2009 budget at the upcoming MT meeting in October. The CGMT will also review the cost and necessity of traditional holiday advertising through newspaper ads and other resources. Further discussion of advertising for the upcoming year, 2010 will take place in the month of October.

**Upcoming New Member Session:** The CGMT will be responsible for hosting and inviting volunteers to assist in the meal planning for the upcoming New Member Session meal on October 14<sup>th</sup>, held at the North Site.

Rich and Lance are planning to attend the New Member Session on 10/14/09. Jean Monson will provide the CGMT with a list of volunteers who have previous meal planning experience. The CGMT will serve the meal and visit with new members.

**Other:** FELC Worship Announcement Cards have been made available at the Welcome Host tables. The FELC business card announces worship times at both sites and includes the website address. These cards are to be utilized for marketing worship times to new members (upon introduction) with the intent to further connect new members to FELC communications.

Training will be developed by the CGMT in October and November for the new volunteer position of "Connection Center Host" at the North Site. The responsibilities of this role will be derived from learning experience as the CGMT gains further understanding of the operational role of the CC in the months of September and October.

The CGMT discussed the recent "FELC Volunteer Training" meeting that took place at the North Site on 9/1 and at the Downtown Site on 9/3. Both meetings were a success and led to further discussion of roles and responsibilities of volunteers. Approximately 30 volunteers attended training DT and approximately 7 volunteers attended at the NS location. Jen was present at the NS event. Both Shannon and Chris attended the DT event. Future sessions will occur throughout the upcoming year (2010) and additional training roles may be added as needed. The CGMT will continue to assist with this in the future.

Also noted were the upcoming CGMT meeting dates. Note the date change in December as it occurs one week earlier than usual. Upcoming MT meeting dates are: 10/13, 11/10 & 12/1.

Respectfully Submitted By: Jen Wageman